

I humbly ask that you consider keeping the representation similar to our current 18th Congressional District. The current 18th Congressional District has served West Central Illinois exceptionally for the last three decades. The Peoria representation has not only shown continued understanding of the plight of our rural community but it has also done well to stay fully plugged in with frequent visits and shared experiences. I would ask that this District not be changed in a manner that leaves us with less invested representation at the Federal level. We have been so deeply blessed and extremely grateful to have our voices heard and sufficiently carried to Washington. To lose that would be to severely quiet, if not silence, the voices of our West Central Illinois residents. Please consider this in your finalization of the congressional maps of Illinois.

Graciously,

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“America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves.”

— **Abraham Lincoln**